

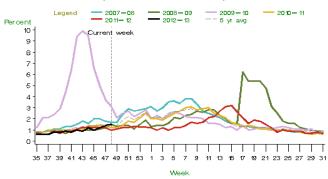
Influenza activity increased in King County during week 48. All positive specimens from outpatient surveillance have been identified as influenza A(H3). The proportion of hospital rapid antigen tests positive for flu continues to increase and is above average compared to this time in past years. The proportion of emergency department visits attributed to influenza-like illness during week 48 increased for most age groups, and remained stable for children age 2-4. Emergency department visit levels are comparable to the 5-year average for this time of year. The University of Washington Virology Laboratory data showed that influenza activity remained stable, while all other respiratory viruses declined during week 48.

		Cumulative data this season
	Data for this week	since October 1, 2012
Laboratory-Confirmed Influenza Deaths	0	0
King County Outpatient Sentinel Influenza Providers		
Specimens Submitted	11	73
Proportion Positive for Influenza	0.0%	Season Peak: 50.0%
A (H1)	0	0
A (H3)	0	10
A (Unknown)	0	0
В	0	0
Hospital Laboratory Influenza Rapid Antigen Test Submissions		
Number of Labs Reporting	8	Weekly Average: 9
Number of Specimens Submitted	318	Weekly Average: 192
Proportion of Tests Positive for Influenza	14.5%	Season Peak: 14.5%
Hospital Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Influenza-like		
Proportion of Visits Due to ILI	1.5%	Season Peak: 1.5%
Percent of All King County Deaths Due to Pneumonia and Influenza (P & I)	7.6%	
National Epidemic Threshold	6.8%	# Weeks Threshold Exceeded: 1
Respiratory Disease Outbreaks at Long-Term Care Facilities (LCTFs)	0	0
Laboratory-Confirmed LTCF Influenza Outbreaks	0	0
Weekly Percent of ED Visits for ILI by Year		Weekly Proportion of ED Visits for Influenza-Like Illness
Legend - 2007-08 - 2008-09 - 2009-10 - 2010-	11	By Age Group

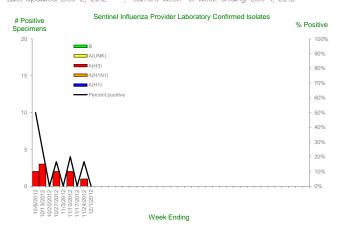
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## Resources

Additional Flu Information, Resources and Surveillance: www.kingcounty.gov/health/flu

UW Virology Laboratory Respiratory Virus Surveillance: http://depts.washington.edu/rspvirus/documents/VD2012-13.pdf

Washington State Influenza Surveillance Update: www.doh.wa.gov/EHSPHL/Epidemiology/CD/fluupdate.pdf

National Influenza Update: www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/

Global Influenza Update:

www.who.int/csr/disease/influenza/en/